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test or presentation of claims against estate, estoppel to contest or claim against will by acceptance of legacy or devise, supplying omissions in construing wills, and release by heir of interest in estate of ancestor.

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PENNSYLVANIA LAW AND PROCEDURE IN DIVORCE. The Law of Divorce and the Proceedings to Obtain a Divorce in Pennsylvania, together with a Full Collection of Forms. By HAROLD M. STURGEON, of the Erie County Bar. Pp. xxxii + 509. Philadelphia: T. & J. W. Johnson & Co. 1905.

We hear much at present concerning a "uniform" law of divorce. The proposition is discussed both in professional and lay circles. Therefore as a presentation of the law of divorce in Pennsylvania Mr. Sturgeon's book is timely.

The book is intended for the legal fraternity. The author makes no endeavor to propound and advance his view of the ethics of divorce. He contents himself with a lucid and orderly statement of the principles and statutes upon which our law of divorce is based. And surely this is commendable, for the reason that the average practitioner desires to know what the law really is, rather than to know what arguments may be advanced for or against a principle or statute upon which it is based. On this question of the severance of those ties which make possible the fundamental institution of society, each is capable of thinking for himself, and conclusions will be as varied as are the degrees of intelligence and depths of insight in human nature.

The author quotes copiously from the opinions rendered in decided cases bearing upon the subject of divorce, and makes no statement whatever unless it is supported by authority.

The book is divided into two parts: Part I, being a statement of the law; Part II, being an exposition of procedure. Chapter XXXVIII contains the forms that are followed in divorce proceedings. A cursory glance at the index shows that it is complete and exhaustive. Altogether it can be said with truth that Mr. Sturgeon has compiled a book which is admirable in its treatment of the subject, in its construction and arrangement.

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ANCESTOR-WORSHIP AND JAPANESE LAW. By NOBRISHIJE HORZUMI, Professor of Law in the Imperial University of Tokio; also of the Middle Temple, Barrister-at-Law. Tokio: Z. P. Maruza & Co., Ltd. 1901.

In a little book of less than a hundred pages, this subject, somewhat novel to Western minds, is ably presented from the